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| Andrew M. Rudoff | : | Group Art Unit: 2166 |
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| Serial No.: 10/618,135 | : | Examiner: Leon J. Harper |
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| Filed: July 11, 2003 | : | |
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| For: MECHANISM FOR REPLICATING AND | : | |
| MAINTAINING FILES IN A SPACE- | : | |
| EFFICIENT MANNER | : | |

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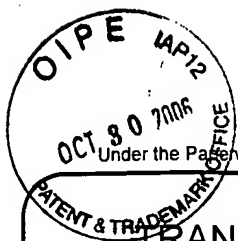
INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

There are no Specification Amendments. There are no Drawings Amendments.

Claim Amendments and Remarks are presented on separate sheets as indicated below:

- Amendments to the Claims begin at page 2.
- Remarks begin at page 8.

The Applicant respectfully requests entry of the amendments and reconsideration of the application in light of the remarks.



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